

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4205, AS REPORTED**  
**OFFERED BY MR. WELDON OF FLORIDA**

At the end of title X (page 324, after line 11), insert  
the following new section:

1   **SEC. \_\_\_\_.**   **COMMISSION ON THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED**  
2                   **STATES AEROSPACE INDUSTRY.**

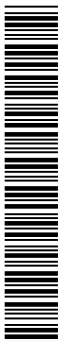
3           (a)   **ESTABLISHMENT.**—Not later than March 1,  
4   2001, the President shall establish a commission to be  
5   known as the “Commission on the Future of the United  
6   States Aerospace Industry” (in this section referred to as  
7   the “Commission”).

8           (b)   **DUTIES.**—The Commission shall have the fol-  
9   lowing duties:

10           (1)   To study the issues relevant to the future  
11               of the United States aerospace industry with respect  
12               to the economic and national security of the United  
13               States.

14           (2)   To assess the future importance of the  
15               United States aerospace industry to the economic  
16               and national security of the United States.

17           (3)   To evaluate the effect on the United States  
18               aerospace industry of the laws, regulations, policies,  
19               and procedures of the Federal Government with re-  
20               spect to—



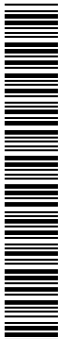
- 1 (A) the budget;
- 2 (B) research and development;
- 3 (C) acquisition, including financing and
- 4 payment of contracts;
- 5 (D) operation and maintenance;
- 6 (E) international trade and export of tech-
- 7 nology;
- 8 (F) taxation; and
- 9 (G) science and engineering education.

10 (4) To study in particular detail the adequacy  
11 of projected budgets of Federal agencies for—

- 12 (A) aerospace research and development
- 13 and procurement;
- 14 (B) maintaining the national space launch
- 15 infrastructure; and
- 16 (C) supporting aerospace science and engi-
- 17 neering efforts at institutions of higher edu-
- 18 cation.

19 (5) To consider and recommend feasible actions  
20 by the Federal Government to support the ability of  
21 the United States aerospace industry to remain ro-  
22 bust into the future.

23 (c) COMPOSITION.—(1) The Commission shall be  
24 composed of not less than 10 and not more than 17 mem-  
25 bers appointed by the President.



1 (2) Each member shall be an individual with exten-  
2 sive experience and a national reputation with respect to  
3 one or more of the following:

4 (A) Aerospace manufacturing.

5 (B) Labor organizations associated with aero-  
6 space manufacturing.

7 (C) Economics or finance.

8 (D) National security.

9 (E) International trade or foreign policy.

10 (3) Members shall serve without pay by reason of  
11 their work on the Commission.

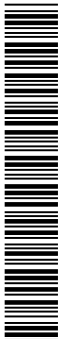
12 (4) Each member shall receive travel expenses, in-  
13 cluding per diem in lieu of subsistence, in accordance with  
14 sections 5702 and 5703 of title 5, United States Code.

15 (5) The Chairperson of the Commission shall be des-  
16 igned by the President at the time of the appointment.

17 (d) POWERS.—(1) A number not less than 50 percent  
18 of the total number of members of the Commission shall  
19 constitute a quorum but a lesser number may hold hear-  
20 ings.

21 (2) The Commission shall meet at the call of the  
22 Chairperson.

23 (3) The Commission may, for the purpose of carrying  
24 out this section, hold hearings, sit and act at times and



1 places, take testimony, and receive evidence as the Com-  
2 mission considers appropriate.

3 (4) Any member or agent of the Commission may,  
4 if authorized by the Commission, take any action which  
5 the Commission is authorized to take by this section.

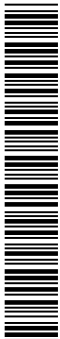
6 (5) The Commission may secure directly from any de-  
7 partment or agency of the United States information nec-  
8 essary to enable it to carry out this section. Upon request  
9 of the Chairperson of the Commission, the head of that  
10 department or agency shall furnish that information to the  
11 Commission.

12 (6) The Commission may use the United States mails  
13 in the same manner and under the same conditions as  
14 other departments and agencies of the United States.

15 (7) Upon the request of the Commission, the Admin-  
16 istrator of General Services shall provide to the Commis-  
17 sion, on a reimbursable basis, the administrative support  
18 services necessary for the Commission to carry out its re-  
19 sponsibilities under this section.

20 (e) DIRECTOR AND STAFF.—(1) The Chairperson  
21 shall appoint and fix the pay of a Director.

22 (2) The Chairperson may appoint and fix the pay of  
23 additional personnel as the Chairperson considers appro-  
24 priate.



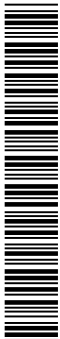
1       (3) The Director and staff of the Commission may  
2 be appointed without regard to the provisions of title 5,  
3 United States Code, governing appointments in the com-  
4 petitive service, and may be paid without regard to the  
5 provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53  
6 of that title relating to classification and General Schedule  
7 pay rates.

8       (4) With the approval of the Commission, the Chair-  
9 person may procure temporary and intermittent services  
10 under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code.

11       (5) Upon request of the Chairperson, the head of any  
12 Federal department or agency may detail, on a reimburs-  
13 able basis, any of the personnel of that department or  
14 agency to the Commission to assist it in carrying out its  
15 duties under this section.

16       (f) REPORT.—Not later than March 1, 2002, the  
17 Commission shall transmit a report to the Congress. The  
18 report shall contain a detailed statement of the findings  
19 and conclusions of the Commission, the recommendations  
20 of the Commission for legislation or administrative action,  
21 and such other information as the Commission considers  
22 appropriate.

23       (g) TERMINATION.—The Commission shall terminate  
24 30 days after submitting its report pursuant to subsection  
25 (f).



1       (h) FUNDING.—Funds for activities of the Commis-  
2 sion shall be provided from amounts appropriated for the  
3 Department of Defense for operation and maintenance for  
4 Defense-wide activities. Upon receipt of a written certifi-  
5 cation from the Chairperson of the Commission specifying  
6 the funds required for the activities of the Commission,  
7 the Secretary of Defense shall promptly disburse to the  
8 Commission, from such amounts, the funds required by  
9 the Commission as stated in such certification.

